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**TOO PLUGGED IN?**  
This month's INFOCUS takes a closer look at social media. Find out which social media sites readers like best, how social media might be harmful for future jobs and how some got started on **Page 2**.

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**Public Works Division spends 93% of overtime budget for year**

**By Alex Alusheff**  
Managing Editor

The Public Works division has nearly reached the limit of its overtime budget for the whole year in less than two months.

With more than 2,900 hours of overtime clocked since January, the division has doled out \$45,478 of its \$48,742 set aside for overtime, leaving it with a little more than \$3,000 to last

the rest of the year, said Finance Director Brian Bushong.

“Obviously we’ll be watching this, but we still have a lot of winter to go,” Bushong said.

The city will still have to get through summer and the following December.

“A weekend hasn’t gone by where we’re not working nights,” said Brian Craft, director of the

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**CAMPUS BRIEF**  
**Alicia’s Voice headquarters to close; services still offered**

As of March 31, Alicia’s Voice will no longer be located on Main Street.

The nonprofit organization has been at 344 S. Main St. in Bowling Green since late 2011, according to an article in The BG News from September 2011.

In February 2013, Alicia’s Voice was faced with the decision of whether or not to close its headquarters.

Once the information got out, support poured in.

“The community really, really rallied,” said Kathy Newlove, president and founder of Alicia’s Voice, which works to raise awareness about domestic violence and provide resources to victims. “I got donations from all kinds ... It was great.”

Due to donations and fundraisers, the organization was able to keep its doors open for another year.

Now, with \$5,400 of rent due, the organization decided to use the rent money to help the victims instead, Newlove said.

“At this point in time, we’re going to give up the Alicia’s Voice headquarters and give the money to the victims and children,” Newlove said.

The headquarters will be used until March 31 and has been available for victims’ use, for board meetings and to store supplies.

Alicia’s Voice will continue to provide supplies for victims, specifically supplies that “everybody needs that you can’t buy with food stamps,” Newlove said.

Nothing is changing about the organization, except its location. Now, the supplies will be stored in the basement of the Perrysburg Courthouse, but contacting Alicia’s Voice is the same: through the website [aliciasvoice.org](http://aliciasvoice.org), or through email at [alicias-voice@yahoo.com](mailto:alicias-voice@yahoo.com).

**FACES OF THE FACULTY 2 OF 3** The BG News features a few faculty members and their contributions to the University in a three-part series that will come out each Wednesday.

*not just a number*



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**AMY WAGNER**, biology instructor, teaches a class in the Mathematical Sciences Building. She was transferred to Firelands campus on Friday.



**WAGNER INSTRUCTS** a group of teaching assistants during a meeting last week.



**WAGNER HAS** taught biology at the University for the past four years.

**Biology instructor reassigned to Firelands campus after nonrenewal of 40 faculty members’ contracts**

**By Danae King**  
Editor-in-Chief

Even Instructor Amy Wagner’s enthusiasm for her job and her students couldn’t secure her position at the University.

“I would love to work here,” Wagner said. “I love my department. I love what I do. I love my students.”

Wagner, who has taught biology at the University for the past four years, will no longer be employed on the University’s main campus come fall 2014.

She was notified in November that her contract would not be renewed for the next academic year. On Friday, she was told that she has been reappointed to the Firelands campus.

Not only will Wagner miss her department, its members will miss her.

“Amy is thinking about what’s good for students and the department,” said Jeff Miner, chair of the biology department at the University. “She thinks about how we can improve our teaching and service.”

Wagner’s reappointment to Firelands is due to a recent discussion between the Faculty Association and the University about the cuts.

Wagner was one of 40 faculty members cut in November and the money from her salary will go to pay for other faculty salaries, according to an article printed in The BG News on Dec. 12, 2013.

The University made the cuts, not based on faculty merit, but for financial reasons, said Bill Balzer, vice president for Faculty Affairs and Strategic Initiatives.

“It’s very sad because to the provost’s office, I’m a person with a number of years,” Wagner said. “They don’t necessarily take into account how this will impact the department.”

The biology department has already hired adjunct instructors and is shuf-

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**Job fair offers employment opportunities**

Students, professionals connect during spring expo

**By Kristen Tomins**  
Reporter

Students gathered at the Perry Field House to participate in the Spring 2014 Expo Job & Internship Fair, where they were able to network with professionals in their field and collect more information on potential internships and careers.

This was the largest spring expo the University has had, with nearly 185 employers present to talk with students, said Jeffery Jackson, director of the Career Center.

He said getting employers to come and network with the students is not a hard sell because the employers save money and enjoy interacting with University students.

“They like our students because there is no sense of entitlement like there may be at other schools,” Jackson said. “Our students are approachable, professional and they enjoy the face to face interaction with employers.”

Sales Manager of Cox TV Rep Firms Kay Cee Fracassa said she was amazed at how much students prepared for the fair.

“I’m impressed with their professionalism and how much they already know about our company,” she said. “You can tell they’ve done their research and their general enthusiasm is great to see.”

Cox TV Rep Firms was one among the many employers present recruiting for full-time positions. Fracassa said there are many opportunities present in the firm, as their locations span all across the U.S.

Fracassa said the firm was recruiting students majoring in marketing, communications and business, but said there were always possibilities in other majors as well.

Cedar Point Full Service Resort was also present at the fair, but had openings for internships, full-time positions and seasonal jobs.

Dave Huff, area manager of park

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**GOING FOR 200**

Men’s basketball head coach Louis Orr is one win away from career win number 200 as they travel to Kent State Wednesday night. Read more about the game in **SPORTS**. | **PAGE 5**



**COMING OUT**

Columnist Paul McKenzie talks about a college football player who came out as part of the LGBTQ community this past week. He also talks about the impact this will have in sports. | **PAGE 4**

**WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE WAY TO WORKOUT?**



“I like to do Hip Hop Abs.”

**CELESTE DENNIS**  
Sophomore, Biology





# A SOCIAL ADDICTION

Technology can harm, aid socialization through dependency for communication

By **Alex Alusheff**  
Managing Editor

Freshman Natasha Roth cannot go long without checking her iPhone.

It's her alarm clock in the morning, her way of talking to friends before class, her source of music at the Rec and her news provider at night through Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

"It's just a habit," Roth said, who checked her phone during an interview with The BG News. "I'll pull my phone out while talking and my dad's like 'You're always on your phone.'"

Though she considers herself a social person, Roth said her phone use may keep her from socializing more in college, especially in her classes.

"If I don't know anyone, I'll just sit on my phone and check Twitter or text friends," she said. "It's people's escape now; like they don't have to meet new people, they just do it through [their phones]."

If people used their phones less, Roth said there would be a lot more socializing.

However, this seemingly antisocial behavior isn't something the Millennial generation picked up on its own. People have been absorbed in technology since the 1950's.

Alberto Gonzalez, a professor in the department of communication, remembers when he got his first transistor radio as a kid and he and his brother would stay up to listen to Detroit Tigers games.

"We have a fascination with technology and the ability to connect to different parts of the world," said Gonzalez, chair of the Department of Communication at the University. "It's wired into us socially."

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## Online presence can hinder students' job opportunities

Cassie Sullivan  
Forum Editor

As University students make the shift in their lives from being a student to being an employee, many begin looking for a job.

One thing for students to keep in mind is their usage of social media, with sites like Facebook and Twitter as they progress through their job searching. Sometimes, the content of someone's social media sites can cost students potential jobs.

"I've heard cases of [employers] Googling someone's name and I've heard of some extreme cases where a student during the interview was asked to log into his Facebook page," Julie Hagenbuch, professor of communications said.

It is not so uncommon for an employer to look into a potential employee and look at their social media use.

Jeff Jackson, the director of the Career Center said "37 percent of employers use social networks to screen potential job candidates. You have [sites] like Career Builder and LinkedIn and these social media outlets that are being perused by potential employers. With that being said, it could be a plus or a minus."

Hagenbuch has had experience with students' social media presence costing them a job. Hagenbuch said she had a student who was a strong candidate was graduating and looking for a job. The student was interviewing in Nashville with

**"If you don't want your grandmother to see it, don't put it up there."**

Julie Hagenbuch | Professor

an organ donation foundation.

When the foundation called Hagenbuch, a reference, she found out more about her students' social media usage.

"I could tell in the first five minutes that they were hesitant about [this student] just because they were asking very pointed questions. I thought she was a great candidate. She had the whole picture: experience, good writing," Hagenbuch said.

However, because of the pictures of drinking the student had posted on her Facebook page, the employer did not want to hire her because it demonstrated a potential negative image for the company, she said.

When searching for a job, students need to be aware of what they tweet and consider how it would impact their chances at getting a job.

"There are a lot of times where ... people will tweet something. You can think of hundreds of examples of that, where off the cuff, you tweet something," Sandy Mencer, the director of Student Enrollment Communication Center said.

Even though someone can delete something off their account doesn't mean it's gone forever.

"One person takes the screen-

shot of it even though you deleted it, it still exists," Brandi Barhite, the assistant director of student enrollment communication center said.

While it takes only one post for someone to lose the chance at job, there are ways of preventing such problems from happening.

"If you don't want your grandmother to see it, don't put it up there," Hagenbuch said. "How would my grandmother react to this picture or post and use that as your litmus test. Obviously, an employer is going to agree with that philosophy too."

Jackson also provides some information on how to do so.

"Keep your information up to date, I would say, not to leave your information stagnant on your social page. If you can, post an article or begin a conversation about something do it," Jackson said. "I think it helps employers to get to know someone."

Even though what someone posts will always be on the internet, there are steps that can be taken to keep social media pages hiring friendly.

"Clean up Facebook pages, blog, use social media, be active and relevant," Hagenbuch said.

Other steps that can be taken also include being aware of what you 'like' on Facebook, think about what's being posted on social media and also be aware of what friends can be posting and tagging you in, Barhite said, especially if it can be considered incriminating.

## Social media affects social skills, future jobs



KENDRA CLARK  
INFOCUS EDITOR

Technology is growing every day and with that growth comes the growth of how the world operates.

Our generation and the younger ones have had the opportunity to grow with the evolving way the Internet impacts our society. One of the biggest impacts students are finding in college is social media and how it affects our lives. We use it to connect with friends close and far away.

However, the use for social media has gone above that, from websites Facebook and Twitter to LinkedIn and Pinterest. All of these sites have shaped the way for not only how we communicate, but how we share ideas, get jobs and our news. That is why our month's theme for In Focus is about Social Media. It is a phenomenon that will shape future generations and the way we live.

One of the most popular things I hear these days is how social media and technology in general are affecting people and their social skills. We are more often communicating with people through a screen and the written word than chatting face to face with others. As I walk through the Union, I see students sitting by themselves with their heads bowed looking at their phones or computers. I also see people sitting together but doing the same thing, acting like they weren't even with the other.

Some believe these interactions are causing our generation to lose valuable social skills that help us communicate with one another.

**"As I walk through the Union, I see students sitting by themselves with their heads bowed looking at their phones or computers."**

Another story we have is how social media affects our future, which includes jobs. There are certain companies that will ask to see a person's Facebook or Twitter page in order to decide if they are the right person for the job. Even though those pages aren't made for employers to be looking at, what we post there can have some major impacts. On the reverse side, there are some positions that want to see constant usage, like journalism or public relations that now have jobs especially for social media.

Also, we look at how students themselves are using social media to interact with one another. One way we do is with our organizations that we are involved with. Students are using social media to try and get more people to come to events and interact with the organizations. They are also promoting events for more private lives like parties.

I know one thing that got me was how I am invited to events on Facebook I never heard of from a person that I might not even talk with anymore. And with the people I do, I've noticed we aren't officially invited to a party unless an invitation is received on Facebook.

Social media is changing every day, and I'm sure it will continue to grow along with our technology. Who knows what we will think of next.



# FROM HERE TO NOW

Below is a list of how online communication has evolved in the past 20 years



**AOL instant messenger** - Began in 1997, America Online allowed Internet users a chat feature that revolutionized online communication. "Instant" is a word that can easily be used to describe the wants and needs of today's generation. 1997 also saw the founding of BlackBoard.

**Friendster** - Though it has been redesigned as a gaming website, Friendster, which began in 2002, used to be an online community similar to ones that would come later like Myspace and Facebook.



**Myspace** - Started by Chris Dewolfe and Tom Anderson in 2003, Myspace was once the most visited social networking site out there. LinkedIn, a social networking site for professionals, also began in the same year.

**Facebook** - Originally open only to those with a college email address in 2004, Facebook recently celebrated its 10th anniversary. It is now the most used social networking site according to Newsweek, beating out Myspace in 2008.



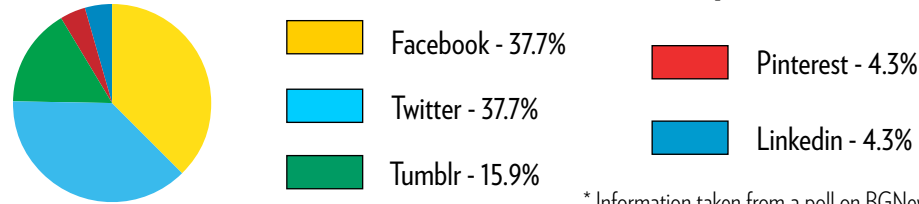
**Youtube** - An online video-sharing website founded in 2005, Youtube allows users to capture moments and share with not only their own friends and families, but with all of the billion users of the site.

**Twitter** - Internet users have been able to "favorite," "follow," and "retweet" their friends and favorite celebrities on Twitter since 2006. Twitter introduced a hashtag feature allowing users to follow hot topics around the world.



\* Information taken from each website

## Social media sites BG News readers prefer



\* Information taken from a poll on BGNews.com

# Censoring self on Twitter can be beneficial, rewarding

Editing can prevent problematic tweets, posts for future

By Abby Welsh  
News Editor

Social media, by definition, is used to socialize and connect with others through specific websites and applications on cell phones.

But is there a fine line on how much one should share about their life on their social media sites, such as Twitter and Facebook?

Avid social media user and University student Luke Hawkins prefers Twitter to Facebook for one reason — to share with his followers what's going on in his life and what he thinks is funny.

"There's actually a lot of criticism towards me for how random some of my tweets and retweets are. I giggle at a lot of them," Hawkins said. "Other people look at me thinking, 'What the hell did I just read?'"

Hawkins started off how most users did; by tweeting quick updates and conversations amongst his friends and followers. That quickly changed when he realized the unlimited amount of stuff he could post, making him what he refers to himself and non-famous people as "Twitter Famous."

"I feel like I've blown open a new door to [this],"

Hawkins said. "They're not Hollywood celebrities. They are just regular people with professional jobs, who proceed to tweet the funniest [things]."

Hawkins discovered that when he would post more comical tweets reflecting his own opinions, the more followers he would gain. He now has more than 400 followers.

Alberto Gonzalez, chair in the Department of Communications, is working on research with other communication and media professors at the University about where tweeting crosses the lines when it comes to what people post about.

"[People] who use social media shouldn't say something online that is meant for only one person and not 2,000 friends to see," Gonzalez said. "This stirs up a lot of conversation."

What people easily forget is that friends and followers on these sites can still share statuses and retweet tweets, which allows those opinions that may have been only meant for a selected audience, available to a much larger audience that was not originally intended.

Even if someone's Facebook is private, friends

can still share the status allowing that user's friends to see it. If someone's Twitter is private, their followers can still quote the tweet for their followers to see.

"Comments could reach all over because of the constant interaction that is available," Gonzalez said.

Hawkins said he believes the opposite; that the purpose of posting things is to share it with others.

"It's like a competition, but not really," he said. "You retweet other accounts so other people can see their tweets and in turn, you hope they do the same for you."

He compared it to unknown musicians and how "others spread the words and then it becomes a chain reaction."

There is still the question of what draws the line when posting personal and professional things.

Gonzalez said a lot things posted on these sites are not censored and have no self-editing, which isn't always a good thing.

"People might make comments they may not realize may be offensive to someone else who views it," he said.

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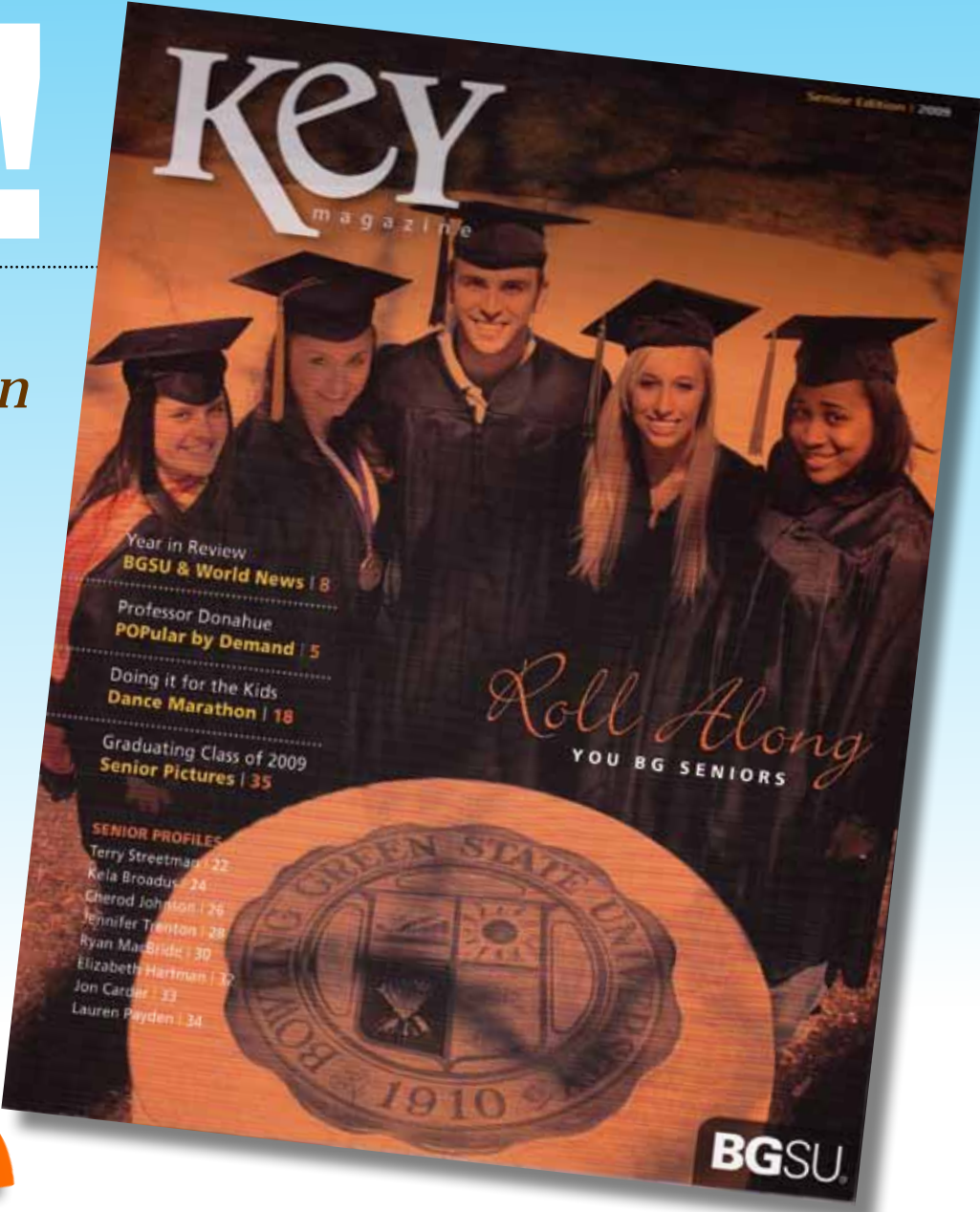
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Senior,  
Interior Design

“Group X  
classes at the  
Rec Center.”



**DAVID GORDON**  
Junior,  
Middle Childhood Education

“I go the Rec  
three times a  
week and play  
basketball for  
a couple of  
hours.”



**JASON CLEVENER**  
Junior,  
Exercise Science

“I go to the  
Rec and play  
basketball and  
take part in  
the Lifetime  
Fitness class..”



**LINDSAY DURHAM**  
Junior,  
Psychology

“I like to do  
yoga because  
it doesn’t really  
feel like work-  
ing out.”

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Overlooked consequences of organized religion can be harmful to women



**AUTMN KUNKEL**  
COLUMNIST

When I was 5 years old, I began to learn the ways of Catholicism. My family did their best to instill their values; I learned the sign of the cross, memorized many prayers and regularly attended church. At that time, I lived and breathed the religion. Even from a young age, however, one detail about the institution stuck out to me: women were not allowed to hold leadership positions in the Church. Specifically, I noticed, they were not allowed to become priests, one of the highest positions one could have. Upon inquiring about why this was so, I was simply told that “men represent Jesus better.” Those four words, though said to me at a young age, stuck with me for the rest of my life. As the years have passed, as my education has increased and as my beliefs have changed significantly, I’ve come to realize how damaging that teaching was to my development as a young woman in society. What’s more, I’ve become more aware of what organized religion

“Whatever the case, it’s clear that religion does not always favor females.”

has done to women on the whole, and I can’t say the overall effect has been positive. When I was a child, I whole-heartedly believed everything that was taught to me about Catholicism. Though I did ask a lot of questions, I tended to accept the answers, no matter how dubious they seemed. This is where the damage lay; I was generally unaffected by the sexist comment which seemed to justify a lack of female representation in the Church. I simply accepted it as truth, ingraining in me from a young age a sense of what my “place” was as a female, an unequal counterpart to a male not only in society, but in the religious community which I was supposed to unreservedly accept. Today, with my increased age, as well as education, I’ve come to denounce all organized religion and have chosen to live my life as an atheist. That doesn’t stop me, however, from being exceedingly fascinated

with – and disheartened by – the fact that, even in modern times, women are still so fervently oppressed by religion, ranging from that of subtle control to blatant discrimination. All over the world, the U.S. included, women are hushed, restricted and in some extreme cases even killed, all in the name of a deity. This could be due to a simple verse from a holy text, or a newly implemented rule brought forth by a religious institution. Whatever the case, it’s clear that religion does not always favor females. Even if many individuals practicing a certain religion are egalitarian-minded and see women as completely equal to their male counterparts, that does not mean that organized religion on the whole is not intrinsically sexist. With the blatant institutionalized suppression found among most of the modern religions – the lack of strong female leaders, all of the rules regarding women’s bodies and even the demonetization of female sexuality - it’s obvious that women are still fiercely disregarded even in their dedication to a belief system.

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Athlete announces sexuality, both positive and negative announcements



**PAUL MCKENZIE**  
COLUMNIST

This past Sunday, a very courageous young man did something that will not only impact him, but also the world of professional sports. Southeastern Conference Defensive Player of the Year Michael Sam of the University of Missouri came out as a gay man. He is not the first active or retired professional athlete to do this. He is, however, the first college football player about to be drafted that ever has though and that has created quite a stir in the national media. Sam has the ability to play

in the NFL. He may or may not become a star, but his talent is evident and the young man can play. He is projected as a mid-round draft pick and many a player has stayed on the professional gridiron from that draft position. He can and will help some team’s defense. The question now becomes how has the most macho of all professional sports accepted him? Almost immediately, the reaction to Sam’s announcement was highly positive. Unfortunately though, some front office executives have used words like “distraction” as it pertains to Sam. Former Philadelphia Eagles Head Coach Herman Edwards described Sam’s

sexuality as “baggage.” Anonymously, an NFL player personnel assistant said football is still a “man’s-man game” and having an openly gay player would “chemically imbalance an NFL locker room and meeting room.” This of course is troubling talk for those concerned with equal rights. More evolved players and former players see troubling signs in the language of some reaction. Some like former Minnesota Vikings punter Chris Kluwe see the potential discrimination as veiled and spoken in encryption. When asked about Sam and possible discrimination against him Kluwe stated, “Most of them [commenters] are smart enough not to put anything down

in writing where you have an email chain or something like that. It would just be, ‘Hey, this guy could be considered a distraction.’ Or, ‘Have you heard about this Michael Sam kid? Is his character there?’ It’s very much code-word type stuff.” For decades, professional football has propagated a gladiator image. It has used such words a “combat” and “war” to describe the action. This in turn has created an aura of hyper-masculinity amongst its players. This caveman mentality is not universal, but it is still very evident. One only needs to Google the name Richie Incognito to provide a classic example of this. So the question is what happens now and what can Sam expect? As a follower of profes-

sional football for around 35 years, I can say that talent talks. Sam will be drafted. Yes, I believe that some teams will scratch his name off their prospective list of players they would possibly draft. This is disgraceful, but it will happen. I can also say that there are some teams with progressive, smart people running them. They will not only see Sam as a quality football player but as a man of immense bravery. It only seems logical that in a sport that purports itself to be the toughest that a team will look at Sam and see what true toughness is.

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Jehvon Clarke

Jehvon Clarke has averaged 16.8 points 6.2 assists, five rebounds and 1.6 steals in the Falcons last five games. He also had his first career double-double earlier this season against Buffalo.



Richaun Holmes

Holmes leads the Mid-American Conference in blocks with a total of 68 averaging three a game. He is averaging 13.9 points a game with 7.5 rebounds per game and leading the team in free throw percentage shooting 70 per cent.



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ANTHONY HENDERSON goes up for a layup in their recent loss to The University of Akron.

Just one more win

Head Coach Louis Orr is one game away from 200 career wins, the Falcons look to end their two-game losing streak as they travel to Kent State

By Cameron Teague Robinson  
Sports Editor

A win for the Falcons Wednesday night at Kent State would give head coach Louis Orr win number 100 at BG and number 200 of his career. Coach Orr accumulated his first 100 wins at Siena and Seton Hall before he got the BG job and earned another 99 wins. “I thank God for the opportunity to coach,” Orr said. “I thank him for the opportunity to influence and mentor young men, also.” He has accumulated many awards over the course of his coaching career, the two most notable being Mid-American Coach of the Year in the 2009 season, as well as earning the title of Big East Coach of the Year at Seton Hall in 2003. Orr’s Falcons are coming off a tough loss by the hands of Akron guard Quincy Diggs’ game-winner over guard Jehvon Clarke. That makes two games in a row where the team made a second half comeback only to come up short in the last quarter. This past Wednesday, the Falcons were down 26-10 to Toledo and came back, but could not get the win. They were down 14

to the Zips at one point and, yet again, they came back but could not finish it. “We need to improve our start to our games,” Orr said. Senior Craig Sealey dressed against Akron for the first time since Dec. 7 against Xavier University. Sealey did not finish the game, as he said, they are monitoring his minutes. “With Craig, it is usually how it feels the day after and he is feeling good,” Orr said. Freshman Zack Denny has also not played since Jan. 19 against Western Michigan when he only played six minutes. He has been out with a knee problem and is currently going through a strengthening program, Orr said. The Golden Flashes have three players on the team who all average above double digits. Guard Kris Brewer leads the Flashes averaging 11.7 a game, while Derek Jackson and Darren Goodson are both averaging around 10 points a game. The Flashes have lost their last two games on the road, but won their latest home game against Akron 60-57 on a game winning three from Darren Goodson. Coach Orr has a chance to earn career number 200 this Wednesday, but he is more focused on what they need to do to win the game and not about his winning

Rivarly week brings out true fans



What’s the most intense and passion-filled week in college basketball? Rivalry week. And it just so happens to be this week. Rivalry week is where college hoops fans across the nation come out to play. You get to see people’s true colors. Fans bring out their team’s colors across the nation because they make it their duty to make it known where they stand when their biggest rival comes to town. If you weren’t aware of what fandom someone subscribed to before, you will know come rivalry week. This is a week where the fans feel just as much a part of the game as their favorite players. Rivalry week presents the opportunity for fan bases to battle it out as well. Every fan base makes it their mission to not only support their team, but also to diss the other fans they hate the most. There is just something special about rivalry week. You can almost

“That is the power of rivalry week; it brings out the crazy in fans across the nation.”

feel the intensity in the air. In Bowling Green, plenty of Michigan and Ohio State fans can be spotted around campus. You can see the dirty lookies exchanged between the two fan bases as they come across one another walking around or hear the banter between them as they bicker about the heated rivalry over lunch. When discussing rivalry week, it’s nearly impossible not to bring up the Duke and North Carolina rivalry. Not only is it arguably the best rivalry in college basketball, it is in the conversation of being one of the best rivalries across all sports. Both Blue Devil and Tar Heel fans cringe upon seeing that opposite shade of blue. Anyone brave enough to wear a Toledo shirt this week, beware. Although the UT-BG rivalry is not playing during rivalry week, the two Mid-American Conference foes are

set to matchup next week. With the upcoming game and rivalry week igniting the fire under college basketball fans, Falcons are sure to call out those wearing a Rockets shirt on BG’s campus. These types of interactions obviously can take place year round for some fans, but all tension escalates during this week. That is the power of rivalry week; it brings out the crazy in fans across the nation. Fans pack the stands, creating atmospheres unlike any other game of the season. Others take to television to see their team take the court, bringing in the most watchers of any game of the season. Rivalry week is a week where if you are a fan of the game, you can most likely tune in to ESPN every night to see two arch rivals duke it out. The quality of the matchups is unlike any other week. This is quite possibly the most exciting aspect of the week because you are nearly guaranteed a must-see game every night, whether it’s your team or not. Aside from March Madness, when else are you guaranteed thrilling games each and every time two teams take the court?

Marcus Smart suspended for pushing ‘superfan’



After just committing a fast break foul down while being two points in the hostile environment of Texas Tech, Oklahoma State All-American guard Marcus Smart went flying into the stands. What happened next nobody besides Smart and a few fans truly know. While Smart was on the ground, he was yelled at by the Texas Tech fans. Smart stood up and looked at one specific fan, Jeff Orr, and pushed him into another fan. Originally it was reported that the so called “Superfan” Orr called Smart a racial slur. Smart was seen running around the court and yelling at the referees and coaches. He was not ejected, but he did not return to the game. In the investigation that followed, it was reported the Orr only called Smart a piece of crap. I find it hard to believe that Smart would react like that to such a seventh grade insult. Smart was seen in the footage running to coaches saying the word racist. It was soon after, an announcement was made that Smart would be suspended three games.

Coaches around the country always talked about how composed Smart is and how uncharacteristic that was of him. I do not know Smart personally, but I have never thought of Smart as the type of player that would react to an insult like that. It blows my mind that the NCAA would accuse Smart of lying about something like that. Isn’t the NCAA supposed to support the athletes over anything else? Jeff Orr was accused before this incident of saying the same racial slur to other African American players, yet he is still allowed to go to the games and sit courtside. The NCAA has done a bad job of protecting and supporting the athletes that make them their money, and they still continue to do the same. They go through so many legalities to avoid paying athletes and now they want them to take insults from fans, but crucify them when they react to what they say. This is not the NBA, these players do not get paid. The NCAA must start defending their athletes from these situations. I am not condoning what Smart did - he deserves his three-game suspension - but I think the NCAA should make a point to stop fan incidents by punishing Orr as well, especially with the reputation that he has had in the past.

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# Fundraising website helps make musicians’ dreams reality



PHOTO PROVIDED  
**LUKE JAMES SHAFFER** raised money for musical career through Kickstarter.

By Geoff Burns  
Pulse Editor

For many people starting a business or musicians recording an album, money might be an issue. But through social media there is a solution.

The crowd funding website known as Kickstarter assists people in raising money for their projects such as starting a business, filming a movie, recording an album and much more.

If someone donates, they receive a reward varying from the amount donated to what the creator has offered.

Singer and songwriter Luke James Shaffer started a project in 2012 to raise money to record his first full-length album “Brooklyn Love” by writing a song asking people to donate for the record to be completed. He raised enough for a goal of \$4,000, making his project a success.

“As a musician in today’s day and age, I feel like having an online presence is essential if you want to have any success,” said Shaffer, University alumnus. “I figured if I had enough friends and fans to support me I should at least give it a shot. I didn’t have anything to lose by trying to raise the money so I went for it.”

Although Kickstarter provides money for a person’s project if the goal is met, that person will not receive any money if the goal isn’t reached, and the crowd get

their money back.

Accounting professor Earl McKinney said using a website like Kickstarter to raise money serves as a much more democratic platform for the crowd.

“You try as far as you can with friends of friends and try to tweet about it and direct people to it and it’s part of the whole social media campaign,” McKinney said. “If it goes viral, a lot of people will see it.”

Jazz musician and music performance professor Ariel Kasler has a project to record an album composition with a goal of \$2,200 to be reached by Feb. 21. The musician has raised about \$1,600 so far but does not see it as a wasted effort if the goal isn’t reached.

“Kickstarter doesn’t charge any fees,” Kasler said. “It’s not a wasted effort and it’s a good promotion benefit. Now a days most musicians don’t expect to make a lot of money by recording a CD and it helps [that] a lot of people know that I am recording an album.”

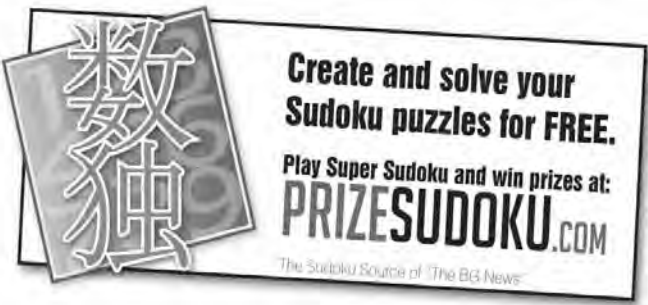
Attempting to raise enough money for a project may be seen as taking a risk, but if the set goal is reached, it can kickstart a career.

“As a whole, it was a nerve-racking experience. I think that is one of the qualms a lot of musicians face with this idea of Kickstarter,” Shaffer said. “You’re putting yourself and your music out there and it’s a different kind of pressure putting all that weight on your fans and friends.”

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## TWEET

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The research Gonzalez participated in reviews the tweeting of a woman named Justin Sacco, who is a director of corporate communications for InterActive Corp. She tweeted the following: @JustineSacco: “Going to Africa. Hope I don’t get AIDS. Just kidding. I’m white!” on Dec. 20, 2014 at 10:19 A.M. right before her plane took off on her way to Africa for a work trip.

The tweet went viral by the time her plane landed where cameras and media greeted her. She was fired immediately from her job.

“[She] was exposed in a way that wasn’t intended,” Gonzalez said.

Although Hawkins isn’t opposed to posting personal or offensive things, he isn’t for it either.

“Be funny. Be unique,” he said. “Don’t sit and wallow on Twitter, begging for attention because of some personal affair to tragedy.”

While Hawkins said there

is a reason things stay personal, senior Landon Watts doesn’t.

Watts, also an avid user of Twitter, posts random thoughts and things he thinks are funny.

“If I see something walking to class or am having a bad or good day, I usually tweet about it,” Watts said. “If I post something I think may be inappropriate, I will delete it.”

Gonzalez said students should watch what they’re posting when they are looking for internships and jobs because employers have the right to ask you to make your profile un-private.

“Employers can request so they know what their employees are saying,” he said. “However, you can choose if you want to do that and work for them or not.”

Regardless of what site students’ use, Gonzalez said they should watch what they post by being cautious of others and self-editing.

“Like I’ve said a million times already, don’t post something that was meant for one person,” Gonzalez said. “It’s not worth it.”

## SCREEN

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The mobility of the transistor radio evolved into the Walkman, to the CD player, to the smartphones available today.

Gonzalez describes his family as “heavy users” of social media “and our Verizon bill reflects that every month. We go through as much data as a small business; we love it.”

His family’s and others’ use of social media is based on the same values of his old transistor radio, Gonzalez said.

“It’s having access to people,” he said. “Now we can talk to friends whenever we want.”

However, when Roth’s phone broke a few months ago, she felt temporarily disconnected.

“It was really weird because when I’m not doing anything I check Twitter, but I didn’t have anything to do so I was bored,” Roth said. “It was really annoying, but most of my friends live on my floor.”

Though Roth said her smartphone use threatens socialization because “we’re so dependent on it,” Gonzalez said the two could complement each other.

“I think we’re always going to value interpersonal communication for its satisfaction,” he said. “It may be that social media can help us expand that satisfaction.”

Social media’s simplicity has also led to its popularity, said Lara Lengel, communication professor at the University who specializes in technology.

“It’s a lot more easy and fun to engage in online communication than it was 10 years ago,” Lengel said.

However, Lengel said the line between interpersonal communication and online

communication is becoming blurred.

“People aren’t thinking about the ramifications of their behavior [online],” Lengel said, noting racist and sexist comments made on social media sites.

People assume that those 140 characters “just go away, but they stay in existence and can be incredibly harmful to others,” Lengel said.

Finding a balance of when to use social media, can help people discipline themselves, Gonzalez said

Roth’s advice is to “just put it down every once in a while.”

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DANCING THE STRESS AWAY



RUBEN KAPPLER | THE BG NEWS

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE in a Zumba workout in the Union on Tuesday.

JOB

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services, said Cedar Point had positions that related to majors all across the board including human resources, finance and security.

“We’ve had really good interaction [with the students] today. They’re enthusiastic and we like that when being approached,” he said.

Some students who attended enjoyed the opportunity to interact with employers.

Sophomore and communications major Alex Partyka said he enjoyed the networking with all the potential employers.

“I received a lot of positive feedback like personal information to email people about setting up interviews, or just to ask more questions in the future,” he said.

Partyka also said he took advantage of the different ways the Career Center encouraged students to pre-

WAGNER

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fling classes around to different faculty members to fill the hole Wagner will leave, Miner said.

Wagner was brought on four years ago to coordinate all the labs for biology and anatomy and physiology. She is in charge of all the labs and teaches most of the sections for those classes, something the department will have trouble doing without her.

Students seem to like the way Wagner teaches and interacts with them.

“I’ve seen her interact many times with groups of students and I think she’s good at developing very quickly an interpersonal relationship, even with [big classes],” Miner said. “She’s done a great job making kids feel wonderful and explaining things well to them.”

Sophomore Molly Scott, a biology major, had Wagner for Anatomy and Physiology this past semester. Scott has formed a relationship with Wagner beyond the classroom and said she plans to stay in touch with Wagner after she leaves.

a PowerPoint in the class. Instead, she uses an overhead to write notes.

“I like the way she says what she’s writing and writes it with you,” Timbrook said.

Wagner became like family to the department, Miner said.

Ray Larsen, associate professor of Biology, is a colleague of Wagner’s, and described her as a “good colleague.”

“She’s very supportive. She’s very participatory,” he said. “She’s a nice person to work with. She’s a good person to go to [to ask for help].”

Wagner said she just likes teaching.

“I like being around students, they’re fun. I like the material matter I teach,” she said.

Wagner cares, Larsen said.

“I understand the desire to let go of instructors,” he said. “[But] it’s a whole lot better to be taught by an instructor that cares than a professor that’s phoning it in.”

Miner said he also recognizes that the University is cutting instructors to “move to a model that is similar to other universities.”

But “it’s unfortunate to students who take those courses because she’s an excellent teacher,” Miner said.

Timbrook said he likes how Wagner doesn’t use

made based on a faculty member’s non-tenure track status, number of years working at the University and conversations had between deans of each college, department chairs and others who work closely with faculty members, Balzer said.

Julie Barnes, executive associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said she talked to all the department chairs about making cuts before recommending people to the Provost to be cut.

As far as Wagner being cut, Barnes said “It had a lot to do with the number of years she’s been at BG.”

The College of Arts and Sciences had to cut more than \$1 million from its personnel budget, Barnes said.

Wagner, who lives in Perrysburg, will have an hour commute to work beginning in the fall. She said her family will probably see a little less of her once she begins to work at Firelands.

“I’m sad I’m not coming back here,” Wagner said. “I love it here ... [but] I’m excited because of the new opportunities for me there.”

But, she’s happy that she has a job.

“It’s a big weight off my shoulders,” she said.

Winterfest  
Bowling Green, Ohio

Saturday February 15, 2014

Art Exhibition | Myles Baker Street | 8a-6p  
Pancake Breakfast | BGHS | 8-11a  
Ice Carving Demo | Huntington Courtyard | 10a  
Frostbite Fun Run | City Park | 10a register, 11a start  
Chilli & Soup Cook-Off | Vet Bldg. City Park | 12-2p  
Sandwich Stroll | Participating Restaurants | 12-5p  
Kids Snow Games | City Park | 12:30-2p  
Dodgeball Tournament | Community Center | 2:30-4:30p  
Public Skate | BGSU Ice Arena | 3:30-5:20 & 7-8:50  
Free Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides | Huntington Courtyard Downtown | 6-8p  
Fire & Ice Gala | Clazel | 7-11p  
Live Music | Grounds for Thought | 8p  
Live Music | The Stone’s Throw | 9p  
Live Music | Howard’s | 10p

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Ice Sculpture Display  
Date Night Adventure  
Snowflakes on Display  
Outdoor Ice Skating | City Park

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Art Exhibition | Myles Baker Street | 6:30a - 6p  
Ice Carving Demo | Huntington Courtyard | 4p  
Sparkle Night | Business Open House | 5-8p  
Free Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides | Huntington Courtyard Downtown | 6-9p  
Valentine’s Party Public Skate | BGSU Ice Arena | 7-8:50p

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# Be My Valentine

## Inexpensive Date Destinations In Bowling Green

BY: PAIGE CRAWFORD  
It's that time of year again. Red and pink decorations all over campus and the "L" word flying through the air. Valentine's Day can be a stressful time, especially on a college student budget. So try some these cheap and fun date ideas to impress your date in Bowling Green.

• ICE ARENA

The ice arena is located on campus at 417 North Mercer Road. If you are a Bowling Green student, the entry fee is only \$3 and \$3 for skate rental. If you are not a Bowling Green student, the entry fee is \$5 with a \$3 skate rental fee. Each combination still costs cheaper than \$10 to enjoy a carefree atmosphere together. Whether you already know how to skate or it's your first time, the BGSU Ice Arena is a cool way to break the ice.

BGSU Ice Arena is a cool way to break the ice.

• BOWLING

Bowling is such an inexpensive and classic date experience that people often neglect. One of the most popular bowling alleys in Bowling Green is Al-Mar Lanes, located at 1010 North Main Street. For a non-member of the alley, shoe rental is \$2.99 plus tax and the weekend night special is just \$9.99 for 3 games. If you wanted to spice the date up even more, you could go Cosmic Bowling. At Cosmic Bowling, the alley shuts all off the lights and turns on the black light. The alley plays music and serves food and drinks. The price of a 3 game special to Cosmic bowl is \$11.99. Either way, bowling is a cool date to have friendly competition and get to know each other.

Art-A-Site is Bowling Green's largest showcase venue for local artists.

• THE PLANETARIUM

The BGSU Planetarium is a 100-plus seat public science theater serving BGSU students, local schools, and the general public of the Bowling Green area. It is set under a 40-foot dome, and the Minolta star projector can show the sky as it would be seen from any place on the Earth at any time, including the Sun, Moon, planets, and more than 4000 stars. Currently the Planetarium is hosting its 2014 All Fest and has a show on Valentine's Day called "Humble Vision," showing at 8 p.m. The Planetarium depends on the generosity of its visitors for continued operation and growth. So technically it does not cost anything to attend, but a \$1 donation is recommended.

• MOVIE THEATER

The Cinemark Woodland Mall Cinema 5 is located five minutes or less from BGSU's campus. The movie theater is small, giving you and your date intimate time together. The price of an adult evening ticket is only \$5.50, leaving you money to spare for popcorn!

• ART GALLERY

One of the well liked Art Galleries in BG is Art-A-Site located on 116 S. Main Street. Art-A-Site is Bowling Green's largest showcase venue for local artists. Usually you can walk in the gallery and view all the artwork and even learn to create some of your own in a private room. Also this Valentine's Day weekend is the Winterfest. There will be a ton of events downtown as well. So after the art gallery, you can go visit some other places in the area that maybe you've never been before.

BY: KENDRA CLARK

For senior Jailyn Harris, Valentine's Day isn't just a time to celebrate a romantic other, it's a time to celebrate the people she loves. "I hang out with my friends on Valentine's Day or spend time taking care of me," she said. "You should celebrate it with people that you love, that means parents or family or friends. Harris found that people take love and put it into one box, romantic love, but she feels that it means so much more." Junior Henry Proctor shares that view with Harris. "I might call my parents since I'm not with anyone," Proctor said. "Because I'm not with someone, Valentine's Day gives me a chance to relate to my family because they will always be there for me." Valentine's Day has also changed in it's meaning over

“Valentine’s Day gives me a chance to relate to my family because they will always be there for me.”  
JUNIOR, HENRY PROCTOR

they years, Proctor said. "There's not as many couples now," he said. "It's different from previous times when people would like to contribute to being couples together and have that one other person. It's not like it use to be, not as romantic." Sophomore Breann Thornberry is maybe part of what Proctor was describing, because even though she has a boyfriend, they don't make a big deal about Valentine's Day. "We celebrate it but we don't go all out," Breann said. "I ask

him not to spend a lot of money on me. He shows he loves me everyday so we don't need one special day for it." Valentine's Day to Breann seems to be more of a "Hallmark holiday." "It seems silly," she said. "It's just a big holiday about chocolate." Associate Professor in Popular Culture Jeff Brown said Valentine's Day comes from our culture's beliefs. "Some of our fundamental beliefs are things like capitalism

and monogamy," Brown said. "Having a true love is one of those, whenever you watch a romantic comedy they always have meeting 'the one' and living happily ever after." Brown said getting cards and candy for a significant other has to do with the rituals and marketing around the holiday. "It's a way to demonstrate your love and to celebrate a relationship publicly," he said. Proctor also thinks that Valentine's Day is used for marketing and businesses. "It was created for commercial use like getting candy or going out to eat," he said. "It's always a good thing to have somebody to be close with but that could be a number of different people, not just a significant other."

## BIG OR SMALL BG offers a Wide Variety of Valentine’s Gifts

BY: KRISTEN TOMINS

Whether you're on a tight budget, or have money to spend, the local businesses of Bowling Green have a lot to offer this Valentine's Day. If you're on a lower budget, a perfect gift for your Valentine could be right on campus, or a short walk downtown.

If your Valentine isn't also a Falcon and is a distance from BG, the BGSU Bookstore has a plethora of gifts that are of reasonable price and easy to package for shipment. The bookstore is currently selling

Give your Valentine a half a dozen, or a full dozen reasons to love you this Valentine’s Day with a bouquet from Klotz Floral Design & Garden.

Valentine's Day cards and Dietsch's chocolates. If you're looking to represent your school in your gift, a BG plush teddy bear may also suit your needs, priced at \$15.99. Feeling crafty? Ben Franklin Crafts & Frames, located right on Main Street, has all your supplies in one place. If you're looking to make a subtle move, or even profess your love, decorative cards filled with silly rhymes and romantic poems are perfect to get any message across to your Valentine this year. Prices range from \$1.50-\$4.00. While you're there, you can even add fun balloons to your purchase, starting at \$1.43. If your Valentine has a sweet tooth, the Dunkin' Donuts on campus is offering a sweet deal this Valentine's Day. If you pre-order a bakery order by February 7, you can receive 10 percent off your order cost. The deal becomes even sweeter when you take a look at the heart-shaped donuts Dunkin' has unveiled, available in brownie batter, cookie dough and Cupid's choice. Prices vary, individual donuts start at 99 cents. Wal-Mart always guarantees the lowest prices and with such an abundance of choices,



you're sure to find something great for your Valentine. You can always find typical candy and stuffed animals, but if you're looking for something a little more unique, check out their Game of Love Personalized Puzzle for \$13. You can personalize it to have your own message on it and it's sure to be a cute, yet memorable gift this year. If you scream for ice cream, your Valentine will, too. Especially if you take them to Myles Dairy Queen to check out this month's Blizzard of the month, Red Velvet Cake. After a quick walk down Wooster, it'll be love at first bite with this treat. Prices ranging from \$2-\$4.50. If you have some extra money to spend and want to go big, many local BG businesses have gifts to satisfy your Valentine.

Whether you're looking to pop the question, or simply want to dazzle her with a new pair of earrings, Waddington Jewelers & Engraving has a large selection diamond rings, earrings, necklaces and even men's jewelry. Prices vary depending on cut and color, starting around \$20 and going up into the thousands.

Give your Valentine a half a dozen, or a full dozen reasons to love you this Valentine's Day with a bouquet from Klotz Floral Design & Garden. This florist offers uniquely designed bouquets with all different assortments of flowers available in different vases. You can pick from something simple like Precious Pink Tulips, or go all out with the Love's Divine Bouquet. Prices for Valentine's bouquets begin at \$29 and go up to \$200. Chocolate says I love you, but cookies do, too. The Cookie Jar & More has a special Valentine's Day menu, complete with heart-shaped vanilla buttercream sugar cookies, turtle cookies and peanut butter smooches. Go big and order a full heart-shaped cookie cake or one of their packages with the flavor combos you and your sweet would enjoy. Prices begin at \$26 for packages and \$28 for cakes. Want to give your Valentine the special treatment? Serenity Spa & Salon is a great place to start. Voted Best Hair/Nail Salon for 2013 and Best Massage in Wood County, Serenity is sure to offer your Valentine a rewarding experience for all their hard work so far this semester. Therapeutic massages start at \$35, classic manicures start at \$20 and classic pedicures start at \$35.

You love and you learn, and this Valentine's Day you could learn to make jewelry at Coyote Beads & Jewelry located right on South Main Street. Register for one of their workshops, like Stained Glass Heart Workshop, or Pearl Knotted Necklace. Not only do you get to keep what you make, but it's quality time spent together. Prices for workshops start at \$15 plus materials.

Chocolate says I love you, but cookies do, too.






# Planning a Romantic Dinner? THINK DOWNTOWN BG

BY: STEVON DUEY

Every year, January blows by as students return from winter break and get back into the swing of attending classes and doing homework. Next thing they know, it's February and Valentine's Day is right around the corner.

This year, couples can take the guesswork out of trying to decide where to go for a romantic dinner. These are some dining options that range from budget-friendly to the just plain spoiled in Bowling Green.



### Campus Pollyeyes

College students are often operating on a budget. Sometimes it seems daunting to try and organize and pay for a great night with your significant other and still be able to afford food for the next two weeks.

A way to save some cash and still impress is to order a heart-shaped pizza. Students can plan a night in by watching a romantic movie and ordering delivery from Campus Pollyeye's. If you can resist the stuffed breadsticks, opt for a heart-shaped pizza from Pollyeye's that tells a special someone your love burns for them as hot as the feeling when you know you should wait to take the first bite, but you do anyway. Pollyeye's will do heart-shaped pizzas by request. You can call and place an order for a large pizza from Pollyeye's at (419) 352-9638.

### Call of the Canyon CAFE

Another cost-friendly option is to dine in at Call of the Canyon on Main Street. Owner Sarah Foster says it's the best place to go on Valentine's Day because they have the best food in Bowling Green. Reservations at this quaint restaurant aren't necessary but are appreciated, especially if you're planning a double or triple date.

Call of the Canyon offers daily specials and their claim to fame is the broad selection of decadent homemade pies. You can call ahead on Feb. 14th to find out what pies will be served that day. Their dessert schedule is a well-kept secret that is sure to surprise. Customers can expect to



### Melt Shoppe

A new prohibition-style restaurant is now open in Bowling Green, describing itself as a "gastro pub with fine grub." Melt Shoppe opened during late fall semester 2013 and provides patrons with a historic-themed restaurant and bar. This Valentine's Day, Melt Shoppe is open from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. and will be serving up its signature-style build your own menu as well as a variety of fine wines and craft beers.

If you're looking for something to satisfy your sweet tooth, Melt Shoppe also serves the most delicious malts and shakes in Bowling Green. For couples looking for a great place to grab a late night drink or dessert, this is the place to go. You can call Melt Shoppe at (419) 352-3774 for more information about specials and menu items.



### SamB's Restaurant

If you're looking for a finer dining experience, students can eat at SamB's on Main Street. SamB's is the staple restaurant in Bowling Green for dressing to the nines and treating your significant other. Reservations are available and most likely encouraged for Valentine's Day. SamB's can expect to see a large volume of business on the holiday so the sooner you reserve a table the better.

Cozy booths and romantic lighting will set the mood for a great dining experience. SamB's has been in business for just over 40 years serving the Bowling Green community fine wines and exceptional entrees. Sandwiches range from \$8-12 and entrees are about \$15-20.

SamB's is the only restaurant on our list that accepts BG1 in conjunction with all other standard forms of payment. Call ahead at (419) 353-2277 or stroll by the storefront to see the list of daily specials on Valentine's Day.

DiBenedetto's is our other option for a finer dining experience and is the destination for those seeking Italian-style food. DiBenedetto's offers delicious courses at fair prices with entrees coming in around \$12-18 per plate.

Diners can find a variety of pastas and proteins on the menu to satisfy any palate. They also offer a full bar on the second floor separate from the dining area on the first floor if you're just looking for a few drinks after dinner.

Reservations aren't required, but like SamB's, they encourage you to call and place one before Valentine's Day to avoid being turned away from a full house. You can call to place reservations at (419) 352-4663. ♥



## Flowers, a Great Option for VALENTINE’S DAY

BY STEVON DUEY

Flowers can be one of the most romantic gifts significant others can give. The small gesture means a lot to many people but what a lot of people many not realize is the meaning behind what you're giving.

The tradition of assigning meaning to flowers came about during the Elizabethan era. Expressions of outward emotions were restricted by society during the time and flowers became a way to communicate specific thoughts and feelings based on the color and beauty of the flowers being given.

The red rose is the most iconic flower that conveys love and romance. A bouquet of red roses is the most popular Valentine's Day gift ordered from many florists.

Carnations are another popular choice as a gift on

Valentine's Day. Carnations are a perfect way to convey admiration and love without coming on too strong. Many people opt to give carnations as a budget-friendly alternative to roses since they also carry strong meaning.

And the underdog for Valentine's Day is the tulip. Many people opt to give carnations and roses because they are the most conventional, but the tulip is also a beautiful flower that comes in many colors. The red tulip conveys the message of true love. Gene Klotz, fourth generation owner of Klotz Floral Design and Garden prefers tulips to standard roses.

Klotz Floral Design and Garden is gearing up for the busiest week of the year for florists across the world. Klotz estimates 300 delivery orders for Valentine's Day in Bowling Green on top of the constant pickup

and walk-in orders they also receive. Klotz's thrives as one of only two florists in Bowling Green so customers should be sure to place their orders early.

Klotz will continue to take orders for delivery and pickup for Valentine's Day through the holiday. He warns that customers should place their orders sooner than later. Unpredictable weather conditions may stall flower shipments and flower deliveries.

Klotz offers a special of a dozen roses for \$39.99 and is the place to go in Bowling Green for both exceptional quality and service. Customers can order pre-made arrangements or build their own bouquets and vases by visiting the Klotz Floral Design and Garden website at [www.klotzfloral.com](http://www.klotzfloral.com) or by calling at (419) 353-8381. ♥



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Public Works Division. “We’ve experienced one whole season in a month.” Since January, nearly 50 inches of snow fell in the area, roughly 20 inches more than last year, according to observed weather reports from the National Weather Service.

“We may have to go back to city council and ask for an appropriation to increase the budget,” Bushong said, if overtime keeps amassing. The division has yet to do that as it still has money left, Bushong said.

The city could help the division by giving it money from the city’s reserve funds or make the division trim other parts of its budget to increase overtime funds, he said.

Bushong can’t remember another time when the division got close to exceeding its overtime budget.

This time last year, the division had spent roughly \$33,000 of its overtime budget with the same limit of roughly \$48,000, he said.

“A weekend hasn’t gone by where we’re not working nights. We’ve experienced one whole season in a month ”

Brian Craft | Public Works Director

As the season continues, Craft said he doesn’t think there will be less work.

“The forecast for February is just as bad as January,” he said.

Overtime isn’t the only worry of the division.

As the snow falls, so does salt from the division’s plows clearing the streets.

Since the beginning of the season, the division has used 1,600 tons of salt for the streets.

It started the season with 1,400 tons and had to request an additional 800 tons, Craft said.

But the salt creates another problem besides shortages — potholes.

“Every time the salt hits the ground, it warms the surface, creating a freeze-thaw cycle,” Craft said.

As the salt thaws the

asphalt while the weather continues to freeze it, it breaks down, creating potholes.

“Potholes are popping up literally,” Craft said.

Another department experiencing more trouble than usual this winter is the Utilities Department, which has made 20 service calls for frozen pipes.

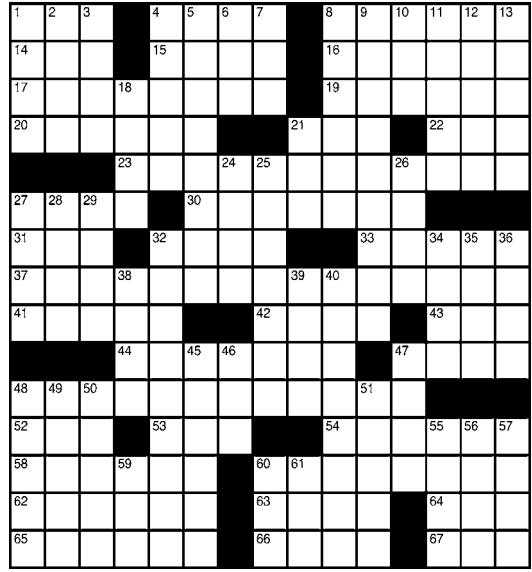
“The guys are saying we haven’t had a winter like this since 1984,” said Mike Johnson, division superintendent of Water Distribution and Wastewater Collection.

Each time the department gets a call about a frozen service line to a house, it has to either replace the whole line or call a contractor with a steam machine to thaw it, said Brian O’Connell, city utilities director.

The utilities department has paid \$28,136 in overtime, an increase from \$22,873 last year, but has a limit of \$240,000 because it is a much bigger department, Bushong said.

“The guys are getting burned out and averaging 15 hours [extra] a week,” Johnson said. “We’re just hoping for warmer weather.”

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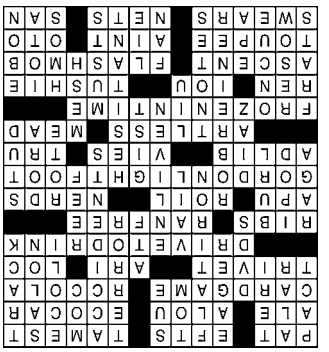
ACROSS

- 1 Butter square
- 4 Young newts
- 8 Most gentle
- 14 Brew that may be pale or dark
- 15 Baseball family name
- 16 Environmentally friendly auto
- 17 Canasta, e.g.
- 19 Coke competitor
- 20 Hot-dish holder
- 21 Fleischer of the Bush White House
- 22 Train stopping at every sta.
- 23 Exasperate, metaphorically
- 27 Barbecue fare
- 30 Roamed without restraint
- 31 "The Simpsons" storekeeper
- 32 Agitate
- 33 Most characters on "The Big Bang Theory"
- 37 '60-'70s Canadian folk-rock icon
- 41 "That's not in the script!" evoker

- 42 Competes
- 43 Capote nickname
- 44 Not at all deceitful
- 47 Honeyed liquor
- 48 The same as it was hundreds of years ago, say
- 52 Stimp's sidekick
- 53 Promise to pay, for short
- 54 Bottom, to baby
- 58 Uphill climb
- 60 Spontaneous gathering, and a hint to the starts of 17-, 23-, 37- and 48-Across
- 62 Bald spot coverer
- 63 " \_ Misbehavin'"
- 64 Plains tribe
- 65 Takes an oath
- 66 Butterfly catchers
- 67 \_ Antonio briefly
- 68 Ply with drink
- 69 Formally turn over

- 1 Diplomat's goal
- 2 Banned apple spray
- 3 Garr of "Tootsie"
- 4 More than willing
- 5 Old-style clothes presser
- 6 Alley prowler
- 7 "Peggy \_ Got Married": 1986 film
- 8 Intense fear
- 9 Traffic backup causes
- 10 Comfy shoe
- 11 Food-poisoning bacteria
- 12 Manicure spot
- 13 Liner notes listing
- 18 Redbox rentals
- 21 DOJ enforcer
- 24 Resort WSW of Boulder
- 25 Add some pep to
- 26 Coral formation
- 27 Ravi Shankar genre
- 28 Apple with tunes
- 29 Folksy lves
- 32 "The Bucket List" director
- 34 Repetitive learning
- 35 Toon explorer with a monkey friend named Boots
- 36 It may be ear-piercing
- 38 Rodrigo \_ de Vivar: El Cid
- 39 Basic idea
- 40 Reluctant to commit
- 45 Govt. securities
- 46 Sch. with a Brooklyn campus
- 47 Interlock, as gears
- 48 Houses with Greek letters
- 49 Plant anew
- 50 Just as planned
- 51 Mandatory items
- 55 Managed care gps.
- 56 Minuscule amount
- 57 Dark, to a poet
- 59 Anti-pollution org.
- 60 Cooling device
- 61 Prevaricetide

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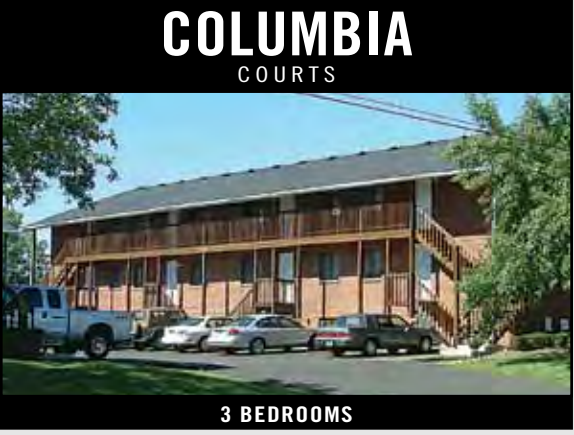
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